

Iron County Register

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Experience is a wise teacher, but not one ever gives her any nice red apples.

Health, honesty and hope are the most genial companions in the mid-nights of care.

"Let us laugh at trouble," sings a western poet. That's easy to do as long as it is some one else's trouble.

A Pittsburg paper says that Count Boni is game to the core. Why not say to the yellow? Bad eggs do not have cores.

New York courts have given a boy thief 19 years, which may not reform him, but is sure to cure him of being a boy thief.

The lack of mentality of some of the popular songs is striking. "I've a pain in my sawdust" is a title that would indicate the writer was something of a blockhead.

After wading across a street full of wet, muddy, slushy snow, it is rather difficult to appreciate the genius of the man who wrote "The Snow, the Beautiful Snow."

We have to admit that mince pies cause more juvenile crime than does strong drink, being often the impelling motive that drives the small boy to break into the cupboard.

For every warship that Germany builds England will build two. Britannia has been ruling the waves for some years now, and intends to keep the job until the cows come home.

Coming events cast their shadows before. The fashion columns are full of advance notes about the Easter bonnet and the shadow is cast athwart the bank account of the head of the house.

The trans-continental automobilists have been too busy trying to get out of snowdrifts to explain what benefit humanity is to derive from their exploits if they succeed in getting through.

There are to be special street cars for women in London. Suffragettes will fear that in some way they are being deprived of their rights. If it were special cars for men they wouldn't stand for it.

"The best way to find out what your friends are really worth is to have need of them," says the Washington Post. And the Baltimore American adds: This is also the best way to get rid of ideals and illusions.

A young man in Connecticut who called for a young lady with the intention of eloping with her was discouraged by a can of hot water. Paradoxically, the hot water thrown upon him proved cold water for his plans.

In view of the love at first sight explanation of international marriages, the rarity of matches in which the groom is an American heir and the bride a daughter of the foreign nobility seems somewhat inexplicable.

A young man who told a girl about the scheme of drying wet shoes by stuffing them with oats aroused her interest, but when she said she hadn't any oats he made a serious mistake. He had a bushel sent to her next day.

French military experts are generally of the opinion that Japan would have little trouble in defeating the United States if war were declared. French military experts thought, along in 1870, that France could whip Germany without having to stop for more than one or two meals.

The public school teachers of New York are insistent on the reinstatement of corporal punishment for flagrant offenders. After trying the new systems of moral suasion they have come to the conclusion that, though rather old-fashioned in his philosophy, Solomon knew what he was talking about.

The mayor of Philadelphia has discovered that George Washington was the real author of the doctrine that to the victors belong the spoils. Now, some other iconoclast will shatter the last tradition to which we have tearfully and desperately clung and prove the Father of His Country a fully qualified candidate for the Annapolis club of his time.

John Ryder Randall, who lately died, was the author of "Maryland, My Maryland," one of the most stirring songs that the war produced. The words were inspired by the encounter between the Massachusetts troops and the people of Baltimore. They were soon after sung to the tune, "Lauder Horatius." Thus, remarks the Youth's Companion, from the opening of the war the south had a swinging song. "Maryland, My Maryland" caught the ear of the north, and although it is explicitly local, has become a national hymn.

The proposition to furnish municipal free breakfasts to school children in the tenement districts in New York because many pupils have, of necessity, such a slim breakfast that when they get to school they cannot do good work, has appealed to many at first sight, says the Boston Globe, but the officials of organized charity in that city object strenuously and with some degree of reason to the free-breakfast idea; first, on the ground that it is not legal, and secondly that it tends to pauperization.

While suddenly alarmed people are talking about the need of reforestation, some of the railroad companies are going quietly ahead planting trees for their own future use. The Pennsylvania road, for example, has now many hundred acres under cultivation, with over 2,000,000 trees growing and seed planted for many more. If every corporation and individual with a bit of available land would do their part by quietly planting a few trees, the forestry problem would be solved without much difficulty.

WILL PAY INDEMNITY

CHINA OFFERS TO PAY DAMAGES TO JAP GOVERNMENT.

STEAMER IS TO BE RELEASED

For Error in Seizing Steamer Chinese Will Give \$10,000, but Retain Arms.

Peking—The negotiations looking to a settlement of the difficulty between China and Japan growing out of the seizure by China of the Japanese steamer Tatsu Maru are making favorable progress. The Chinese foreign board Saturday approved the draft of a document in which China accepts the proposals made by Japan Friday. China will pay Japan 21,400 yen (about \$10,700) and retain the arms that form the cargo of the Tatsu Maru, and she will also pay about 10,000 taels demurrage on the steamer. It is expected that the Tatsu Maru will be released March 16. In addition, Japan agrees to adopt and in force strict regulations to prevent future traffic in arms and ammunition from Japan into China, but she refused to include the territory of Macao in this limitation.

China will soon take up negotiations with Portugal regarding the contraband traffic at Macao. She hopes that an accurate delimitation of Portuguese water at Macao now will be secured and that the gambling for which Macao is notorious, as well as the smuggling done through that port may be materially restricted.

Mikado's Ministry Defeated. Tokyo—General election returns indicate the overthrow of the present ministry as a practical certainty. Marquis Katsura will be the next premier. There is much speculation concerning Foreign Minister Hayashi's successor. English Ambassador Komura probably will be chosen.

PRINCE TO FOLLOW MME. GOULD.

Paris Certain Wedding Will Result, if It Has Not Already Taken Place.

Paris—Prince Helle de Sazan is to sail for New York, according to reliable authority, either from Havre Saturday night or from Cherbourg Monday.

The Prince was believed for several days to be already on the ocean, a passenger aboard the Kronprinz Wilhelm, or perhaps on the Adriatic, on which Mme. Anna Gould and her sons sailed. He turned up in Paris, however, Friday afternoon. It has been impossible to secure from him any statement concerning reports that he has already married Mme. Gould—reports which the latter has emphatically denied.

The fact that he is to follow her to America confirms Paris society in its belief, however, that though there may be no wedding as yet, Mme. Gould is on her way to secure her family's consent to the alliance.

SHOOT WIDOW, KILLS SELF.

Jealous Lover's Crime Committed in Presence of Young Girl.

Chicago, Ill.—Mrs. Minnie Heiss, a widow, is dying at the Chicago Polytechnic Institute from three bullet wounds, the victim of a double love tragedy, in which her assailant, Charles Weidman, a spurned suitor, shot himself dead at her feet. Weidman had been a frequent visitor at the Heiss home.

The tragedy was enacted in the presence of Esther, 15-year-old daughter of the woman, Mrs. Heiss, who was shot and fell at the first fire and was caught in the arms of her daughter, who heroically tried to save her mother's life. Weidman fired two more bullets at the woman, and then shot himself behind the right ear. He died later at the Alexian Brothers hospital.

Weidman is believed to have been prompted to end the woman's life through jealousy.

Gould to Put 1,000 to Work.

Reno, Nev.—It is announced that George Gould's Western Pacific railroad will resume its extensive construction work along the main line in Nevada. Orders that have been received here will place 1,000 men at work.

Folk Pardons Bigamist.

Jefferson City, Mo.—Governor Folk Saturday pardoned George Lovern, who was sent to the penitentiary June 23, 1906, from Jasper county, for five years for bigamy. He was released Saturday.

Ex-Pittsburg Mayor Dies.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Benair C. Sawyer, mayor of Pittsburg in the early sixties and 40 years a prominent resident of Colorado and California, died here Friday.

Founder of Deland, Fla., Dies.

Rochester, N. Y.—H. A. Deland, founder of Deland, Fla., and one of the leading business men of Fairport, N. Y., died Friday.

Frank O'Brien Captured in Omaha.

Omaha, Neb.—Frank O'Brien, alias Dougherty, was arrested by the South Omaha police on the charge of being implicated in the murder of John Baker, an old man, in St. Louis, on the night of March 4. Baker's body was thrown into Cahokia Creek, where it was found the next morning.

Sleep-Walker's Fall Fatal.

Lancaster, Pa.—A fall sustained while walking in her sleep has resulted in the death of Miss Maud Ohme of Lititz.

Run Over; Both Legs Amputated.

Lancaster, Pa.—George M. Jones, aged 10 years, of Dillerville, was run over by a Reading railway train while walking to Lancaster. Both legs, which were crushed, were amputated on the slight chance of saving his life.

Respite to Write Life's Story.

Norfolk, Va.—Gov. Swanson granted Leo C. Thuman, under sentence to be hanged for murder, a respite to March 27, to give him a fortnight in which to complete his autobiography.

NOTHING TO IT BUT EARK.



TRAGEDY IN SCHOOL

TWO WELLESLEY GRADUATES DIE TOGETHER.

THEY HAD LONG BEEN FRIENDS

Police Say That Crime Was Murder, Followed by Suicide—One Was Mental Wreck.

Boston, Mass.—Two women were shot Wednesday morning in the fashionable Laurens School in the Back Bay. They were found dead in bed. One was Miss Weed, who escaped Tuesday night from a sanitarium in Newton and fled to the school, where Miss Hardee agreed to care for her during the night. At 6:20 o'clock Wednesday morning the head nurse heard two shots. She ran to Miss Hardee's room and found both women unconscious. The head nurse ran to the matron, but when the latter reached the room both women were dead.

Was One of the Founders.

The police are now conducting an investigation at the school. All information regarding the identity of Miss Weed and Miss Hardee has been so far refused at the school except to the police. No detailed report of the tragedy has yet reached headquarters. Miss Weed was one of the founders of the school and was recently sent to a sanitarium in West Newton.

On October 1, the day upon which the Laurens School, as they called it, was opened, Miss Weed broke down, as a result of overwork, and was taken to a sanitarium in West Newton, where she had since been under treatment for nervous prostration. While in the sanitarium Miss Weed had been subject to severe attacks of melancholia. Tuesday night she escaped from the sanitarium and made her way to the Laurens School.

Because the revolver was found clutched in Miss Weed's hands, and through the reports of her unsettled mental condition, the police believe that she shot Miss Hardee and then killed herself.

Bannerman to Quit Cabinet.

London—Reports from Premier Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's sick room Thursday are that the invalid finally confesses that he has reached the end of his strength, and must lay down the leadership, both of the cabinet and of his party in the House of Commons.

Austrians Settle in Georgia.

Augusta, Ga.—The immigrant colony in Augusta has been increased. A couple of months ago the Berkmann nursery took on thirteen Austrians as an experiment, and so well pleased have both parties been with conditions and the labor that others have been induced to come here.

Society Leader Opens Store.

Washington—Social Washington is much interested in the entry of one of its members into the business world. Mrs. H. H. Hosley, widow of Commander Hosley, who took the dry dock Dewey to Manila, has opened a millinery shop in the very center of Washington.

Says Orange Drugged Him.

Pittsburg—Arthur F. Bennett is being sought by the police on the charge of embezzlement. H. J. H. Nulty, a wealthy broker, has told the detectives that Bennett handed him a "fixed" orange, and that while under the influence of the drugged fruit he signed away \$50,000 to Bennett.

Invented Automobile Clock.

Hazleton, Pa.—Charles Miller of this city, who was chauffeur for Alvan Markle for several years, has invented an automobile clock, which shows the exact time an automobile is started, how long used and when stopped.

Died, 102, Soon After Cousin, 101.

Carlisle, Pa.—Following the death here several weeks ago of her cousin, Mrs. Woods, aged nearly 102, Mrs. Julia Smith, colored, died here, aged 102. She was born in Shepherdstown, W. Va.

Unexpectedly Regains Speech.

Hanover, Pa.—Miss Rose Fissel of Littlestown, an operator in the Hanover telephone exchange, who mysteriously lost her voice seven weeks ago, has unexpectedly regained the full power of speech.

Czar Seizes Turkish Ships.

St. Petersburg—A rumor has reached this city by way of Vienna that two Turkish steamers with arms and ammunition on board have been seized in the Black Sea by Russian warships.

CHINA GIVES IN.

Proposed to Release Japanese Ship Through Fear of Superior Force.

Shanghai, China—An official statement has been issued by the Chinese Government regarding the seizure of the Japanese vessel, Tatsu Maru. It is stated that the ship anchored first off Chun Chow, outside of Portuguese limits, then changed to Kien Chow, in Chinese waters. The Chinese naval police boarded her and found a cargo of rifles and ammunition was being discharged. The Japanese captain is alleged to have offered bribes or to give up the arms provided the ship was released.

The official statement says: "The Chinese officers, observing that Portuguese police boats were hovering around the steamer, feared complications and wrongfully hauled down the Japanese flag."

"At 4 o'clock on the next afternoon, no Portuguese officials having boarded the ship, she proceeded up the Canton river and the next morning the Chinese officials informed the captain of the steamer that the customs regulations provided for the holding of a joint inquiry within three days, but this inquiry was not requested."

China, fearing that Japan was seeking a pretext for trouble, apologized for hauling down the Japanese flag, and propose to release the ship, only recognizing 'force majeure.'"

GIRL WITNESS GRILLED.

Hitchcock's Counsel Seeks to Make Helen Von Hagen Discredit Herself.

New York—Helen Von Hagen, prosecuting witness in the case of Raymond Hitchcock, the actor accused of wronging young girls, was on the stand Friday morning, undergoing cross examination. John D. Stanchfield, counsel for the defendant, sought to establish, by Elsie herself, that her morals were of the depraved order before she met Hitchcock.

Mrs. Mary Von Hagen, mother of the girl, was the next witness, and virtually shattered the case of the prosecution. She contradicted the testimony of her daughter and declared there was never anything wrong between the comedian and the child.

Stabs Woman on Street.

New York—Margaret Smith, a striking looking woman of 35, whose personality is shrouded in mystery, was fatally stabbed three times in the throat Friday in front of 215 East Thirty-sixth street, by a man who is supposed to be her sweetheart. The man, who was arrested, refused to tell anything except his name. He said he was Harry Gourley and that he lived in Brooklyn.

Socialists Voted Down.

London—The House of Commons has rejected, by a vote of 241 to 95, the bill providing that municipalities or other local authorities shall furnish employment, at union wages, to all men asking it and showing that they cannot otherwise earn livings. The Labor and Socialist parties deemed the measure their most important in years.

Indicted for Kidnaping Farmers.

Winnipeg, Manitoba—The grand jury has returned a true bill against United States Customs Officer Ponika on a charge of kidnaping farmers. His trial will begin next week.

Russian Police Captain Slain.

Berdichev, Russia—The police captain of Berdichev, M. Kartamishchev, was shot and killed on the street here. The assassin got away.

Stabbed, Mum About Assailant.

Chester, Pa.—Positively refusing to inform the police authorities as to the identity of his assailant, William Jefferson is a patient in Chester hospital, receiving treatment for an ugly stab wound which may have serious results.

Sentenced to Death.

Baxley, Ga.—Neal Ryals, the alleged assailant of Mrs. Lizzie Overstreet, in this county last September, was found guilty and sentenced to be executed on March 31.

Death Stalks in Siberia.

London—Hundreds of the inhabitants of Northern Siberia have died of starvation within the last few weeks and the privation is growing worse daily. The famine there is unprecedented and the government is helpless to relieve it.

Dog Bites Youth in Eye.

Milville, N. J.—While playing with a pet dog Artie Brown was seized by the dog, the teeth tearing the young man's eyelid and bruising the eyeball. It is feared he will lose the eye.

NEWS OF CONGRESS

DOINGS OF PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVES AT WASHINGTON.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED

Concise Report of Measures Introduced and What Action is Taken on Them.

Agree to Purchase New Colliers.

Washington—The purchase of three new steam colliers with a coal-carrying capacity of 7,000 tons, at a cost each of \$525,000, was agreed to Friday by the house committee on naval affairs.

Pass American Bottom Bill.

Washington—The bill to require the transportation of materials and supplies to be used in the construction of the Panama canal in ships of American register was passed by the senate Friday. As amended the bill exempts from the restrictions ports in which no American vessels are to be secured for shipping goods. Another amendment provides that bids for supplies shall be accepted, naming alternative price for shipment in American or foreign ships. Senator Bacon claiming that such an amendment was necessary in order to allow bidders for furnishing lumber to compete successfully.

To Raise Carriers' Pay.

Washington—Carrying the largest appropriation bill in all its history—\$222,190,392—the postoffice appropriation bill Friday passed the house, having been under discussion fourteen days. This is \$1,425,000 more than was reported by the committee. Chairman Overstreet, when the reading of the bill had been concluded, waged a vigorous fight on the proposition to increase the pay of the letter carriers, which was voted into the bill last Wednesday, but that action was confirmed 136 to 126.

The closing debate on the bill dwelt mainly on the rural delivery service, the only amendment to get through being one increasing by \$200,000 the appropriation therefor.

Agree on Indian Appropriation.

Washington—The conference on the Indian appropriation bill reached a full agreement Friday and reports were presented to both houses.

Talk on Executive Encroachment.

Washington—Senator Bacon of Georgia, in the senate, Friday spoke of executive encroachments on the legislative power of the government and read freely from newspaper reports to show that legislation is being mapped out in the White House at conferences at which congressmen are not even present.

The bill providing for the shipment of material intended for the Panama canal in American ships was passed by the senate Friday.

Dentist Bill Reported.

Washington—The Butler bill, authorizing the appointment of dental surgeons in the navy and marine corps, not to exceed thirty in all, was Friday reported favorably to the house by the committee on naval affairs.

Pass Ten Bills a Minute.

Washington—A part of the session of the house Friday was devoted to the consideration of private pension bills, 405 being passed in 40 minutes.

Widow's Pension Bill Passes Senate.

Washington—The senate Thursday passed the widow's pension bill, providing that every soldier's widow now receiving less than \$12 per month shall receive a minimum of \$12 hereafter, upon proof of her husband's death, and without proof that his death was from causes incident to his military service. The bill has already passed the house.

Postoffice Appropriation Attacked.

Washington—The postoffice appropriation bill had rough sailing in the house of representatives Thursday. Its progress was halted at every turn by amendments upon which there was lengthy discussion. The attacks begun on the section relating to the pneumatic tube service, which was forced to undergo a change so that extensions of such service should not be confined to the several cities named in the bill, but that they should be made wherever the postmaster general may think best. The house was a unit for withholding a portion of the pay for railroads for transportation of the mails until a correct system of weighing should be established, a provision to that effect being incorporated in the measure, and finally a vigorous, but ineffectual, attack was made on a proposition by Mr. Goebel of Ohio to increase by \$2,000,000 the appropriation for paying the expenses of railway mail clerks while traveling on business of the department.

Grows Bananas in Celilar.

Long Beach—Mrs. Adelaine Tleher, who owns a beautiful home at First place and Ocean avenue, has made a success of banana growing in the cellar under her house. The fruit is full grown and ripe. The fruit believes she is the first in Southern California to grow it successfully.

14 Smiths in One Family.

Miller, S. D.—Among the new settlers to arrive here is a family from New York state with thirteen children. Their name is Smith.

Servant Leaves \$200 to Cat.

Elkton, Md.—Tiny Sims, for many years a servant, bequeathed \$1,200 to Harmony Presbyterian church and \$200 to Mrs. Isabella P. Milton, in whose house she died. The income from the bequest to Mrs. Milton is to be applied to the maintenance of her black cat, Dixie.

Preacher Killed in Dispute.

Troy, Ala.—News has reached here of the killing of Elder L. T. Wells, a Baptist preacher, by Riley Odum at Searight, Crenshaw county.

NEWS OF MISSOURI

Wife Gets Husband Freed.

Jefferson City—George Lovern, who was sent to the penitentiary in 1906 to serve five years for bigamy, has been pardoned. When Lovern married the first time, his wife had been previously married and divorced, and later obtained a divorce from him and married again. When he married the second time he believed he had been divorced, but at the trial entered a plea of guilty. His second wife has remained faithful, and it was largely her labors that resulted in his pardon.

Sheriff to Test the Law.

Jefferson City—A mandamus suit was filed in the supreme court that will interest almost every sheriff and coroner in the state. It is an action on behalf of John Scott, sheriff of Cole county, to require the county clerk to accept his declaration as a candidate to succeed himself, as required under the new state primary law. The point at issue is whether a sheriff or coroner who was elected in 1906 can succeed himself in office.

Taney Merchant Arrested.

Springfield—Jesse D. Allen, a merchant, formerly in business at Brown Branch, in Taney county, has been brought here for a hearing before United States Commissioner Peppardine on a charge of using the mails to defraud. Allen owned a general merchandise store, and it is charged he wrote letters to wholesale firms in St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield, representing himself to be worth many thousands of dollars.

"Pikers" to Banquet Again.

Folia—Citizens of Folia have planned a Pike county banquet for March 20. The principal dish on the bill of fare will be Pike county wild duck, with the necessary "trimmings" and "fixings." The speakers will all be home products, including Dave A. Ball, E. W. Major, E. E. Campbell, Judge E. W. Stark, Dr. J. M. Crewdson, R. Pearson and L. G. Blair.

Posse Takes Two Suspects.

Springfield—Sheriff Sims and a posse who went to Willard, northwest of here, to assist in running down four men who the officials feared were planning to make a second attempt to rob the Bank of Willard, returned to Springfield, having in custody a man giving the name of J. W. Wright, and a Hungarian who can not speak English.

Sheriff's Quest Futile.

Cape Girardeau—For the third time Sheriff Goben of Scott county has returned empty handed from a trip after a negro who slew Frisco Conductor George Wolf at Chaffee a year ago, and for whom a reward of \$500 is standing. Sheriff Goben's latest clew took him to Pawnee, Okla., where a suspected negro was held.

Veteran Missouri Pastor Dies.

Parkville—Rev. David R. Hindman died here, aged 81 years. He went to California from Pennsylvania in 1849 and served through the civil war with the Union army. At the close of the war he entered the Presbyterian church, serving in the synods of Missouri, Iowa and Kansas.

Two Towns Dry—One Wet.

Mexico—This town went dry by a majority of 770 of the 6,774 votes cast. From 6 a. m. there were prayers in all the churches. In Vandalla the school children paraded the streets advocating prohibition. They won. In Martinsburg the vote was 140 to 89 for the wets.

Pastor Waives Preliminary.

Elsherry—The Rev. Clyde W. Gow, pastor of the Methodist church here, has waived preliminary hearing of the charge of complicity in the death of Miss Elizabeth Gleason of Elsherry. The Rev. Mr. Gow is out on a \$3,500 bond, to appear at the next regular term of the circuit court, March 23.

Insane Girls Mistreated.

Moberly—The grand jury of Randolph county, after an inquiry at the poor farm at Huntsville, reported that two insane girls there have been mistreated and are in the care of the doctor. The girls have been at the county farm for several years.

Folk Honors Requisition.

Jefferson City—Governor Folk honored a requisition from the governor of New York for the return to that state of Phillip Jacoby of Kansas City, who is charged with grand larceny.

Marshal Shoots Farmer.

Union—August F. Brinkmann, a farmer living near Gerald, a small town in the western part of Franklin county, was shot and probably fatally wounded by F. W. Gottenstrotter, the town marshal.

Horseman Killed in Runaway.

Kansas City—David Waldo, wealthy horseman, well known throughout the United States and who formerly owned a race track here, was killed near Independence, Mo., in a runaway accident. His body was found late at night lying in the road, where it had been thrown from a wrecked buggy which lay near by. He was a graduate of Washington and Lee university in Virginia, and father of Jed and Wm. Waldo, who were famous jockeys a few years ago.

Joplin News-Herald Change.

Jefferson City—A reorganization of the Joplin News-Herald, Joplin's afternoon republican paper, has been effected, by which Secretary of State Swanger, Harry Mitchell of Booneville Republican, Charles D. Morris of the St. Joseph Gazette, E. E. McLimney of the Springfield Republican and John R. Holmes, recently chosen a delegate at large to the republican convention, become interested with P. E. Burton, for some years editor and principal owner of the paper.

HOW TO KNOW PURE PAINT.

A Way in Which It May Be Identified Before Using.

After a building has been painted long enough for a weather test, it is easy to tell if the paint used was made of pure White Lead or not. But such related knowledge comes like locking the barn after the colt is stolen.

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